IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Koudas et al.

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For: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR OPTIMIZING QUERIES UNDER PARAMETRIC AGGREGATION

CONSTRAINTS

Group Art Unit: 2167

Examiner: Susan Rayyan

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Dear Sir:

RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION DATED JULY 8, 2009

In response to the Final Office Action dated July 8, 2009 having a shortened statutory period for response set to expire on October 8, 2009, please enter this response and reconsider the claims pending in the application for reasons discussed below. The Applicants believe that a request for continued examination (RCE) fee is due in connection with this response. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge counsel's credit card account.

Furthermore, in the event that the Commissioner is unable to obtain the necessary fees from counsel's credit card account, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge counsel's Deposit Account No. 50-4802/ATT/2002-0457 for the RCE fee and any additional fees, including extension of time fees or excess claim fees, required to make this response timely and acceptable to the Office.